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Passing along for your awareness.

Best regards,

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Hello everyone,

After 25 years with EPA I've decided to retire. As many of you know EPA has been like a family to me in more ways than one. My husband, Jeff Houk, is a former EPA employee and will be retiring from the Federal Highway Administration at the end of the year and my mother Sondra Faulk retired from EPA. I've enjoyed working with all of you in my various capacities at EPA:

- Stay in School for the Municipal Systems Unit, the Water Program after the 1996/1997 Reorg and then Office of Communication and Public Involvement
- Environmental Protection Specialist for the State Assistance Program that is no longer
- Employee Development Specialist – Training Officer in Human Resources
- Environmental Protection Specialist in the Air Program - Particulate Matter Program Manager
- Community Involvement Coordinator within OCPI – Public Affairs and Involvement Unit
- Supervisor Public Affairs Specialist within OCPI – Public Affairs and Involvement Unit

In addition to the time I've spent with you at work I've also spent time with many of you outside of EPA enjoying road trips, breakfast and lunch gatherings, happy hours, downhill and cross country

skiing, backcountry hut trips, hiking and of course those annual rafting trips which will continue on. Thanks for being such a great support and a friend throughout the years. As many of you know over these last few years I've discovered just how short life can be and that there are so many other things in this world that need exploring. It's time to get out and have fun! Jeff and I have plans to travel to New Zealand in February, possibly Myrtle Beach in March, DC in the Fall, hopefully Africa in 2020 and ultimately live abroad at some point. In addition to travelling we will eventually be spending our time between Colorado and our home in San Diego (fingers crossed wildfires don't find San Diego!!). I will miss the comradery and hope that during what I've witnessed to be some of EPA's most challenging years that you all retain a sense of humor to survive the ups and downs and look to one another for collaboration and support as you focus on EPA's mission.

In addition to the travel goals above I also had a goal of retire at 50. I turn 50 on Monday January 7 so my last day at EPA will be Friday, January 4. Just an FYI - I have volunteered to support the California wildfire response so if I am deployed I will have less time in the office between now and Jan. 4. Jeff and I are considering a joint happy hour downtown after I leave. More to come.

Feel free to share forward.

Sincerely, Libby

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